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Dear Examiner Dunwoody:

Attached is a revised amendment per our telephone conversation of September 20, 2007 that is being mailed to the Patent Office on this same date. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,  
Remy J. VanOphem

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PATENT APPLICATION  
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Serial No.: 10/840,215  
Applicant: Robert J. Slais, Johnny R. Blankenship & Chhotubhai N. Patel  
Filed: May 6, 2004  
Title: Dual-Plane Seal for Fluid-Tight Conduit Connection

Art Unit: 3679  
Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody

Docket No.: FTP163R US

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**Revised Reply to Office Action and Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

To highlight the distinction of the above referenced invention over the prior art as interpreted by the Examiner in the Office Action of May 24, 2007, Paper No. 20070517, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page:	2
Status of Claims & Support for Claim Changes:	5
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